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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF ACTUAL INFRINGEMENGROUP 3600 (37 C.F.R. section 1.102 and M.P.E.P. section 708.02)

Applicant hereby petitions to make this application special because of actual infringement.

## 1. Accompanying material

Accompanying this petition is:

- (a) a Statement by Attorney in Support of Petition to Make Special Because of Actual Infringement
- 2. Fee (37 C.F.R. section 1.17(h))

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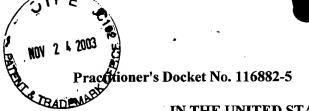
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STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF ACTUAL INFRINGEMENT (M.P.E.P. § 708.02)

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I, Michael H. Minns,

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am the practitioner in this case and make the following statements:

- 1. That I have learned of an online meeting planning system being offered by StarCite, Inc. as StarCite Online Marketplace.
- 2. That I have made a rigid comparison of the StarCite Online Marketplace with the claims of this pending patent application.
- 3. That, in my opinion, at least one of the claims on file in this pending patent application is unquestionably infringed by StarCite Online Marketplace.
- 4. I have a good knowledge of the pertinent prior art. That the references known to me that are most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims are already of record.
- 5. That I believe all the claims in this application as on file are allowable, based upon the prior art known to me.
- 6. That all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or

imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application of any patent issuing thereon.

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